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On: FINAL 2003 UPLAND COTTON PRODUCTION

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AUSTIN . . .The 2003 Texas Upland cotton crop totaled 4.33 million bales, down 14 percent from 2002, according to the Texas Agricultural Statistics Service. Production was increased by 80,000 bales, or 2 percent above the January estimate. Harvested acreage for the season totaled 4.35 million acres, down 3 percent from the previous season, and 1 percent less than the January estimate. The average yield per acre, at 478 pounds, was increased by 14 pounds per acre, but was 60 pounds less than in 2002. Area planted to Upland cotton remained unchanged at 5.6 million acres and was equal to the acreage planted in 2002.

The U.S. Upland cotton crop totaled 17.8 million bales, up 8 percent from 2002. The U.S. yield for Upland cotton was a record high 723 pounds per acre, 71 pounds more than 2002. Harvested acres, at 11.8 million acres, was 3 percent below last year. Upland planted area totaled 13.3 million acres, 3 percent less than last season.

TEXAS UPLAND COTTON DISTRICT ESTIMATES, 2002 AND 2003 ¹

Districts	Planted Acres		Harvested Acres		Yield Per Acre		Production	
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003
	<u>1,000 acres</u>		<u>1,000 acres</u>		<u>Pounds</u>		<u>1,000 bales</u>	
1-N	800	826	637	360	800	707	1,062	530
1-S	2,808	2,735	2,178	2,050	483	407	2,191	1,740
2-N	357	385	333	359	347	332	241	248
2-S	479	466	469	445	366	343	358	318
4	82	115	77	110	667	502	107	115
7	153	151	124	140	422	446	109	130
8-N	–	55	–	51	–	838	–	89
8-S	338	346	287	342	626	737	374	525
9	230	230	205	214	738	532	315	237
10-S	227	202	80	193	558	614	93	247
Other districts ²	126	89	110	86	829	843	190	151
STATE	5,600	5,600	4,500	4,350	538	478	5,040	4,330

¹ Preliminary, May 2004. ² Districts with less than 50,000 acres planted are included in other districts.

